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Serial No.: 09/545,072 Examiner: A. Kubelik  
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Applicant hereby requests continued examination of the above-captioned application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. The application is a non-provisional application that was filed on or after June 8, 1995.

This request is being submitted after the filing of a Notice of Appeal and thus is to be considered as a request to withdraw the appeal and to reopen prosecution. Enclosed are: (1) an Amendment that is responsive to the final Office action mailed on May 21, 2002 and an Advisory Action mailed on December 20, 2002; (2) a Petition for Extension

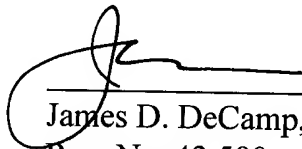
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37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) for this Request for Continued Examination.

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